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ANDREW M. McLAUGHLIN

The subject of this sketch was born near Huntersville, W. Va., Dec. 1st, 1844, and fell asleep March 8th, 1913.

The funeral service was conducted at the home at 1 p. m. March 9th by his pastor, Rev. J. L. Line-weaver, and he was laid to rest in the Clifton cemetery in the presence of a large concourse of friends and neighbors. Among those from a distance were Hon. and Mrs. Andrew Price, Hon. John A. McLaughlin, Messrs. E. F. McLaughlin and Calvin Price, Marlinton, W. Va., Messrs. Lee Beard, M. J. McNeil and Norval Clark, Academy, W. Va., and Mrs. Fanny McLaughlin Moore, Stuart's Draft, Va., and Mr. Richard Hogshead, from Augusta county, Va., who bore the beautiful tributes from New Providence congregation of which his son is pastor.

Andrew McLaughlin was the son of Squire Hugh McLaughlin and his second wife Elizabeth Gum nee Lightner. His father was for many years a member of the Pocahontas Court, and an Elder in the Huntersville church. Harper McLaughlin, his only full brother, lives in Bath county, Va., and Peter Gum, his only living half-brother, resides in Highland county, Va.

When Andrew McLaughlin was six years of age he moved with his parents to Marlinton, now Marlinton, where he continued to reside till 1891, when he moved to his Clifton home in Greenbrier. In his sixteenth year the Civil war broke out. A year or two later he volunteered, serving until its close in Co. I, 19th Va. Cavalry. He was with his company in every battle in which it was engaged except one. Most of this time he was orderly sergeant. At twenty years of age he came out of the war with the rank of first lieutenant. His comrades tell us he was a cool-headed and brave soldier. He served a term as commander of Camp Creigh here, and some months ago Gen. Bennett H. Young, commanding General of the United Confederate Veterans, gave him the commission of Colonel as Ass't Adjutant-General on his staff. Both armies had camped on his father's farm, and when the conflict was over he returned and found nothing left but the land, house and barn. On the 14th day of May, 1867, he was united in marriage with Miss Mary Price, youngest sister of the Rev. Wm. T. Price, D. D. She, with their six children, live to mourn his loss. Their children are the Rev. Henry W. McLaughlin, Raphine, Va., Mrs. Julian D. Arbuckle, Maxwelton, Lee P. and Edgar H., of Hillsboro, W. Va., Mrs. Hous-ton H. Arbuckle, Maxwelton, and Mrs. James B. Massey, Mossy Creek, Va. All of his children, with his sons-in-law and daughters-in-law, were present at the funeral except Mrs. Massey, who was detained by sickness.

Andrew McLaughlin was a man of more than ordinary ability, strong of body and mind, clear in his judgments and successful in his occupation as farmer and stock raiser. He united with the church of his father in early manhood and soon after became a Deacon. He was the first Sunday School Supt. at Marlinton. About thirty-four years ago, when the Marlinton church was organized, he was made an Elder, which office he has continued to hold, serving almost continuously in the Marlinton, Lewisburg and Clifton churches.

The following estimate of Col. McLaughlin's life and character as a disciple of the Master is furnished by one who had long known him well and intimately:

Andrew McLaughlin was a devoted husband and father, strong and noble, lofty in his ideals. As a Christian he was loyal to his Savior at all times, and in all the different relations of life exemplifying the religion which he loved and professed. As an Elder in his church he was faithful and diligent in the performance of his duties. He loved his church, he loved to meet his God there and commune with Him. He delighted in her services. As long as his health permitted he was always present at the services and joined heartily in the worship. He was constantly active in the church's work. Many a time he has left pressing business interests in order that he might go and kneel at the bedside of the sick and dying or to plead with some wandering soul to accept his Savior. His life abounded in acts of generosity. A loyal soldier of the cross has gone to be with his King.—Greenbrier Independent.

W. J. Kliese of Academy, was registered at the Wilson last night—E. C. Beverage, of Marlinton, was a business visitor in the city last night.—Elkins (Saturday) Inter-Mountain.

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HONOR IS DUE

Between the exit of the second Cleveland Administration and the entrance of that of President Wilson sixteen years elapsed, and during that entire period it was an impossibility for the party leaders to recognize, through Federal appointments, even the most faithful loyal and devoted service to the party's cause and to the party itself.

The executive power was in the hands of the opposition, and, however desirous Democratic Senators or Representatives were to name those for places of honor or profit those who had aided them to positions of trust, it was completely out of their power to have them appointed. Now all this is changed, and with Democrats at the head of all the great departments of the Government, and the party in control, not only of the executive branch, but of the Senate and House of Representatives, there has arrived the opportunity to recognize many of the most deserving of the Democrats, both among the leaders and among the rank and file.

The Enquirer is gratified that so many of the faithful will come into their own, and it desires to remind those who are to appoint, to name, or to recommend for office, that if it had not been for the earnest, intelligent, long-continued work of the Democratic journalists in the smaller cities and towns of the various states of the Union the great victory of last November would not have been won.

In Ohio, Indiana, Kentucky and West Virginia it was these years of most meritorious service on the part of the Democratic editors of what are known as the county and local newspapers that gave the Democratic victory of 1910 and 1912, and now when honors are to be bestowed, these editors should receive the fullest consideration from those whom their work carried into the high places of leadership and of power.

It was their educational campaigns in the long years of Republican ascendancy that finally changed minorities into majorities and placed Democratic Senators and Representatives in the seats so long held by their political adversaries.

It was the progressive Democratic editors throughout the counties of Ohio who made possible the nomination of Woodrow Wilson; men who were so fully imbued with the righteousness and the final triumph of the cause that they regarded neither abuse nor threat add scorned to deviate from the path they knew led to national and state victory.

Now is the time when the men who hold office through the efforts of these journalists should welcome the opportunity to advance their interest.

Whether it be in the diplomatic and consular service, in the departments at Washington, or in the local appointments under the Postoffice, the Interior, the Treasury, the Labor, the Commerce Departments, it is but right and just that these men who kept the faith should have full justice done them.—The Cincinnati Enquirer.

Fairmont, W. Va.—Fairmont was interested in a deal of the greatest importance to the timber industry when Messrs. John Y. Hite and R. M. Hite purchased for themselves and eastern associates, the McCoy tract in Pocahontas county, W. Va., and Highland county, Virginia, securing over 16,300 acres. The deal, which was conducted by Mr. Alex. R. Watson, real estate promoter of this city, is one of the most important of the year, for a sum said to be approximately \$300,000 was involved in the deal. This land lies on the Alleghany Mountains, around the headwaters of Sitlington Creek, near Dunmore.

THAT CAR

He owned a handsome touring car. To ride in it was heaven. He ran across a piece of glass—Bill—\$14.97.

He took his friends out for a ride. 'Twas good to be alive. The carburetor sprang a leak. Bill—\$40.95.

He started on a little tour. The finest sort of fun. He stopped too quick and stripped his gears. Bill—\$90.51.

He took his wife downtown to shop To save carfare was great. He jammed into a hitching post. Bill—\$278.

He spent his little pile of cash. And then in anguish cried, "Pill put a mortgage on the house; And take just one more ride."—Oklahoma Banker.

ORGANIZE AGRICULTURAL CLUB FOR SCHOOL BOYS AND GIRLS

Work Inaugurated By Extension Division of College of Agriculture—Develops Greater Enthusiasm For Farm Life

(By E. W. Sheets, College of Agriculture, Morgantown, W. Va.)

Of recent agricultural developments, there has been none of greater educational interest and significance than the work done by the clubs of boys and girls in agriculture and domestic art.

The organization of agricultural clubs as they exist in many of the states, was an incidental outgrowth of plans for special contests. The name applied to the organization has varied in the different states, determined

The seed for the corn contest is furnished by the Extension Division of the College of Agriculture except in cases where the contestants enter the contest for the contest. In that event, they furnish their own seed corn. In a few counties where sufficient interest is manifested, girls' garden and canning contests are being promoted; for these contests, tomato seed is likewise furnished.

The object of these girls' garden and canning contests may be summed up in the following: To stimulate the in-



He can feel the ears swell.

terest in the home; to provide some means by which the girl may earn money at home and at the same time get the education and viewpoint necessary for the ideal farm life; to encourage the rural families to provide purer and better food at a lower cost and to utilize the surplus and other-wise waste products of the garden and orchard; to furnish earnest teachers a plan for aiding their pupils and helping their communities.

The results already apparent from these clubs are sufficient for West Virginia, that club leaders, county superintendents, teachers and others interested in promoting agricultural and rural home interests should lose no opportunity to have club exhibits and interests recognized effectively at county district fairs, farmers' institutes, teachers' associations, women's clubs and summer chautauquas.

The club activities have already in many instances exercised a very stimulating effect upon the ordinary work of the school as well as on the farm and in the home of the members. The knowledge gained from these clubs has demonstrated that the neutral love of competition among boys and girls, as well as their elders, can be utilized to immense advantage in furthering their own education for efficiency.

The influence of the community at large, the parents as well as the children, has been wholesome. Beginning with an awakened interest in one thing, better seed corn for example, communities have rapidly extended their interest to other features of rural improvement with the result that in the region affected by the agricultural club movement, there has come about a general upward trend in the thoughts and activities of the people.

largely by the nature of the work done by them.

Probably the first well organized contest for boys and girls in West Virginia was conducted in Monroe county in 1907. Since that time, the work done by the boys and girls has attracted the attention of farmers, educators and business men throughout the state. In 1911 there were 12 counties that had corn growing contests. 1500 boys and girls took up this work and competed for special honors or awards. During the year 1912 there were 32 counties of the state that took up the club work. There were 4500 contestants in these 32 counties. While the greater number were interested in growing corn, there were 160 girls who grew tomatoes for the contest. There were also 50 boys who entered the half-acre production contest and grew corn.

The clubs are conducted on a well organized basis, being one of the various lines of work done by the Extension Division of the College of Agriculture, co-operating with the U. S. Department of Agriculture, to extend its benefits to the young people of the state and to interest them in farm and home life by practical courses of study, effective organization, and a form of competitive contest.

The club work is not a contest in corn or tomato growing where each one who enters is left to prepare, plant, fertilize and cultivate in his own way. The plan of the organization is to instruct, to direct, to guide and to train. The circular of instructions sent to each contestant covers the fundamental principles of good farming and urges the members to keep farm accounts. Efforts are made to have each boy and girl receive attention and instruction on his own acre or the acre of a neighbor boy.

A boy or girl takes pride in ownership and will learn more agriculture and gain more knowledge of the business side of farming on his own acre than from his father's many acres. The corn club work is an important factor in the economy of the farm in directing the rural boys to the business of farming as a profitable and noble profession. The way in which the club work takes hold of a boy is well shown in Fig. 1, and from this enthusiasm greater interest in farm life may develop. We need the boys for the present efficiency of the farm and we need their influence for the future of American agriculture.

IMPORTANT TO OUR GIRLS AND BOYS

Any girl or boy in Pocahontas who is interested in the Agricultural Club contests should write immediately to J. Carl Cox, at Academy, for full particulars and to enroll as a member. County, State and National Exhibits will be held and various prizes will be offered, including free trips to the State Corn Show at Morgantown and the National Corn Show at Washington.

Sheriff Lincoln S. Cochran of Pocahontas county, spent last Sunday in our city, the guest of friends.—Wsa, Va. News.

LEXINGTON, VA.

Dear Times:—If you will examine the current number of the "Confederate Veteran," you will find a picture and an interesting statement of a colored woman who was born a slave in Pocahontas county and belonged to the late Dr. George B. Moffett. Dr. Moffett was married and began house-keeping in Pocahontas county but later moved to Monroe county, from where he afterwards returned to the Levels of Pocahontas county and resided until long after the war. He and his wife were the owners of quite a number of slaves and among them was a family called "Logan," and when Dr. Moffett left Pocahontas for Monroe, he sent Nancy Logan with her family to live with the late Col. Woods Poague who was a cousin of his wife. This was in the early fifties. Nancy Logan was living with Col. Poague when his little daughter was fatally burned. Mary Logan Washington was a little girl out playing with Col. Poague's little daughter when the latter's dress caught fire where Nancy, her mother, was boiling sugar water, and she and her mother were the only two present to witness the agonies of the burnt child. And Mary can yet relate all the attendant circumstances of this unfortunate occurrence.

When Dr. George Moffett began housekeeping at Hillsboro his brother, Harry M. Moffett, Esq., and wife were dead, and the family of Harry Moffett, three daughters and one son, came to live with their uncle and half sister, Evelyn, familiarly called Lina, was the third daughter of Harry Moffett, and a very beautiful girl. She had been thoroughly educated and among her attainments she was a fine performer on the piano. This lady afterwards married Col. William P. Thompson, of Wheeling, colonel of the 19th Virginia Regiment, C. S. A. In the community of Hillsboro she was known as a beautiful singer and she taught the little negro girl, Mary Logan, all the popular ballads which Mary Washington, the blind woman, still remembers and can sing most sweetly.

At the close of the year 1863, Dr. Moffett refused his colored people to some of the Beales of Botetourt county, who were kin to his wife. Mary's family were among these people and soon after the war they left Buchanan and came to Lexington to make their home. Mary was in her fourteenth year when she left Pocahontas and she still has a vivid recollection of the Beards, Poagues, McNeels, Clarks and others who resided in the community and can relate some very interesting reminiscences of that time. Dr. Moffett's home was the center of the social set in and about Hillsboro and Mary being house girl she came to know the people.

The late James A. Moffett who died a fortnight ago, and Mary were born about the same time and she never refers to him now except as "Mas Jimmie." The old blind woman has a great reverence for the Moffett people. J. A. M. March 10, 1913.

SERVICE COMMISSION

The Greenbrier friends of Oscar A. Price, of Roncoverte have started a boom for him for a member of the Public Service Commission. This is a new office created by the last legislature and is composed of four members—two Democrats and two Republicans. The main duties of the commission are to investigate all methods and practices of public service corporations, the bill detailing in full the work of the body. We have heard of no other names mentioned in this section of the state, and if Mr. Price is a candidate he ought to have no trouble in securing the appointment. He is one of Roncoverte's leading business men, amply qualified for the place and a gentleman of attractive personality. For the past several years he has been chairman of the Democratic Executive Committee of Greenbrier county.

The appointees for the commission are to be made by the Governor in the month of May—90 days from the passage of the bill creating the commission.—Hinton Ind-Herald.

Knoxville, Tennessee.—Matt R. Mann, assistant superintendent of the colored branch of the Tennessee School for the Deaf, is seriously hurt, his son killed, his wife hurt, the colored matron and a colored girl also injured as the result of a mysterious attack upon them while they were asleep. A baseball bat and a hatchet were used in the attack. An inmate of the institution is under suspicion. Mr. Mann is a mute and is well known in Virginia, West Virginia and other States.

RELIGION OF PRESIDENTS

An inquirer asks if there has been a Baptist President of the United States. There has not. There have been eight Episcopalians: Washington, Madison, Monroe, William Henry Harrison, Tyler, Taylor, Pierce and Arthur. There have been six Presbyterians: Jackson, Polk, Buchanan, Lincoln, Cleveland, Harrison, and to these Woodrow Wilson has just been added. There have been four Methodist chief magistrates: Johnson, Grant, Hayes, McKinley. Van Buren and Roosevelt were adherents of the Reformed Dutch Church. John and John Quincy Adams were Congregationalists. Fillmore and Taft were Unitarians. Garfield was a Disciple. Seven religious bodies have been represented by the twenty-six Presidents.—Richmond Times-Dispatch.

HUNTERSVILLE

Mrs. Lena Briggs, of Campbelltown, passed through here last week on her way to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Jordan, at Frost.

Clarence Jordan, of Frost, was in our village a couple of days last week.

Mrs. John Loury and children were visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Loury, of Browns Mt., last week.

We have heard nothing recently of our proposed railroad; still we hope the promoters are getting ready to make the "dirt fly" as soon as spring opens up.

Born, last week unto William Bowers and wife, a daughter; unto Esco Alderman and wife, a daughter; and unto Balphor McLaughlin and wife, a daughter.

Our school closed Tuesday the 18th inst. with an entertainment in the afternoon and also at night. The greatest drawback to an entertainment of any kind in this town is want of a large room or hall that would accommodate the large crowds that are always anxious to attend.

G. C. Poling is away this week buying his spring and summer goods.

Presiding Elder, Rev. J. A. Anderson, held the last quarterly meeting of the conference year at this place last Sunday and Monday.

Glen Ruckman, of Augusta county, Va., was buying cattle in this section last week.

Mrs. Everett Ruckman and Miss Anna Wood were shopping here Thursday.

The Browns mountain school, taught by Miss Mae Hylbert, closed Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Barlow visited her parents at Marlinton, Howard McElwee and wife, of Minnehaha Springs, were pleasant visitors at Elihu Moore's Sunday.

LAUREL CREEK

We are having some March storms.

W. E. Sharp and wife spent Sunday with their son, Dives.

Mifflin Gilmer, who done a job of clearing for Vester Gilmer, has returned to his home on Elk.

Several of the young men went to Marlinton Saturday night to join the Moose lodge.

Lloyd VanRennan was at Marlinton on business Saturday.

Saturday while Elmer Baxter was on his way to Marlinton, as he was crossing the railroad above Campbelltown his horse caught his foot and threw Mr. Baxter about ten feet, but no serious damage was done; both were able to get home and have about recovered from the shock and fall.

James Burgess is putting out a lot of timber off his land at present, with S. D. McNeil and Charles Combs, skidders and Ed Kimer, woods foreman.

Mrs. Lucy Combs, of near Marlinton, is spending a few days with friends here.

George Sharp has purchased a lot of thoroughbred Leghorn and black Minorcha chickens and will start a poultry farm soon with Edgar Sharp as a partner, and Howard Beverage is also interested and perhaps will have charge of the yard.

Levi Baxter and wife were at Marlinton this week to have Mrs. Baxter's eyes treated.

Clark Young, of Edray, is working for Elmer Baxter.

BALTIMORE ANNUAL CONFERENCE

The Baltimore Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, will convene in Central church, Staunton, Va., on Wednesday, March 26, 1913, at 9 a. m.

The Baltimore Conference takes in a part of the states of Virginia and West Virginia, and includes all of the work of the M. E. Church, South, in the state of Maryland. It includes the cities of Baltimore, Washington, Martinsburg, Winchester, Staunton, Roanoke, Clifton Forge and Hinton and the historic Greenbrier Valley, extending to Randolph county.

There are 297 pastoral charges in the conference. It has a membership of 61,233. The church property is valued at \$2,730,187.

The conference raised for missions last year \$31,267. The Baltimore is a border conference and is one of the 48 annual conferences of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South.

The conference session will last about one week and will be presided over by Bishop John C. Kilgo, of North Carolina.

Thank God every morning when you get up that you have something to do which must be done whether you like it or not. Being forced to work, and forced to do your best, will breed in you temperance, self control, diligence, strength of will, content and a hundred virtues which the idle never know.—Kingsley.

WARWICK

The sick of this are some better at this time.

John Landis came home from Denmar, sick with fever.

Lora Waugh is improving slowly.

Henry Landis, who was operated at Johns Hopkins Hospital recently, is slowly improving.

Chalmer Strader is looking up a location for himself and family in North Carolina.

John Weiford and Odie Gay are in the Hills on a visit.

Mrs. Gertrude Fleming expects to go to Hinton soon to see her husband who was sent there some days ago with a broken limb.

Virginia Miller is moving back to her home in the Brush.

A. S. Hoover has gone south again. We suppose he has gone to North Carolina, as he seems to think lots of that state.

J. M. and S. P. Landis have purchased two thoroughbred hogs from a stock farm in Ohio; they look to be good ones.

Feed seems to be holding out fine in this section. Everybody seems to have plenty.

DROOP TOP

There is plenty of mud in our town at present.

The sick of this neighborhood are reported better, except Field-ind Pritt, whose recovery is not expected.

Clarence Kershner and Lake Cutlip were in this neighborhood Sunday.

D. W. Cutlip is grading lumber for the Droop Top Lumber Co.

R. P. Kershner, our saddle and harness maker has built a shop and is doing a good business.

Lem C. Barrett, our city carpenter, is working for Robert Cutlip.

W. H. Kershner, of Greenbrier was visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. P. Kershner, Sunday.

H. H. Sweetwood, Supt. for the J. E. Moore Lumber Co., was in town a few days last week in the interest of his company.

T. L. Scott, the noted road monkey, is still on the job.

The Sunrise school is progressing nicely with J. H. McCarty, teacher.

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